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Presented for filing is a new continuation patent application of:

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Title: POLISHING PAD HAVING A GROOVED PATTERN FOR USE IN

CHEMICAL MECHANICAL POLISHING

The prior application is assigned of record to Applied Materials, Inc, a Delaware corporation, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office and recorded on May 8, 1998 at 9176/0660.

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

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Specification	24
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- Preliminary amendment, 5 pages.
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This application is a continuation of pending U.S. Application Serial No. 09/441,633, filed November 16, 1999, which is a divisional of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/003,315, filed January 6,1998, now issued as U.S. Patent No. 5,984,769, which is continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/856,948, filed May 15, 1997,

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